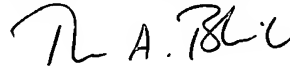


Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits. Early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1, 3, and 5 (Canceled).

2. (Amended) A process for producing an ink-jet printer member which comprises placing [in advance,] a ~~pre-formed~~ plastic[s] substrate [of] ~~having~~ a prescribed form in a mold, and melt-injecting an elastic material [composed of] ~~comprising~~ a thermoplastic elastomer into said plastics substrate, ~~thereby integrally compositing~~ [to subject said materials to insert molding so that part of said] ~~the~~ plastic[s] substrate and the elastic material [layer are integrally composited].

4. (Amended) The process for producing an ink-jet printer member according to Claim 2, wherein [a material for] the plastic[s] substrate [is] ~~comprises~~ at least one member selected from the group consisting of styrenic resin, olefinic resin, polyamide resin, polyester resin, modified polyphenylene ether, acrylic resin, polyacetal and polycarbonate.

6. (Amended) The process for producing an ink-jet member according to Claim 2, wherein the thermoplastic elastomer is at least one copolymer [constituted of] ~~comprising~~ at least one polymer block [containing] ~~prepared from~~ a vinyl aromatic compound as a principal component and at least one polymer block [containing] ~~prepared from~~ a conjugated diene compound as a principal component.

Claims 7-22 (New).